Union No. 3 A. F. & A. M. 2023 Addendum

Introduction

The 2023 Masonic Year started as all Masonic Years start. The newly elected and installed officers of Union No. 3 A. F. and A. M. began the year under the leadership of our newly elected Worshipful Master Jared Brandan-Flande.

2023 for Union No. 3 was eventful! With three Brothers being raised.

It can't be overlooked that our lodge is changing before our eyes. Our active membership consists of men 40 years of age and younger. Three of these Brothers are 30 years old or younger.

Views change. Perspectives change and future plans of the lodge are always evolving with these younger Freemasons being Union No. 3's future leaders.

Change is hard? Nahhh… I love change. I find it interesting and love to study things evolving. Do I get frustrated and confused at times as to the thought process's? Am I always trying to figure out the whys? I am a Past Master. Of course.

The Trustees have made massive changes to the investments and how we as a lodge manage the Building and Cemeteries. All of which could not have been done without the Brothers who 'attend regularly'.

Concerns. As a Past Master of Union No. 3 three times now I can honestly share that I do not know what the future holds for our lodge or the Brothers which make up Union No. 3. Am I concerned? Yes, I am very concerned for many reasons that I will not share here. The Past Masters of this lodge will guide and mentor to the best of our ability but in the end, it is up to our future leaders to educate themselves on the proper running of the lodge. Finances, building management, cemeteries, reading the code and knowing how it is to be used within lodge throughout the year.

Ritual. Historically speaking Union No. 3's Ritual is adequate. It can be better for sure. Why it isn't is all about practicing. In the past, "historically speaking" Brothers of Union No. 3 took great pride in their memorization. Opening and closing and maneuvering around the lodge physically and metaphorically was paramount. If we as members of this lodge want to be remembered as Ritually hard working Brothers then we need to start stepping up to the plate. Practice nights. This will be up to our future leaders of this lodge. What I believe will happen I will keep to myself; this is not the place for my views. What I will say to the Brothers who are reading this paragraph is this, "if you as our leaders don't start working hard at guiding the lodge in the proper use of the Ritual, we as a lodge are slowing spiraling".

This yearly addendum starts with the minutes of the January Stated Meeting to document the beginning of our lodges Masonic Year and ends with the list of newly Elected Officers for the 2024 Masonic Year.

Let us all look to the East and support our newly elected Worshipful Master William Painter.

Fraternally,

Johnny J. Edwards *// jje //*
Past Master Union No. 3
Secretary Union No. 3
Sexton MMC / LMC
Grand Historian Grand Lodge of Oregon
GLO Library and Museum Chairman
GLO Cemetery Committee

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A Stated communication of Union Lodge No. # 3 was held in their Lodge Room in McMinnville, Oregon on Tuesday evening Janurary 3, AD 2022, AL 6022.

PRESENT

WM	Jared Branden-Flande	Jr. D	Nick Godfrey
SW	Will Painter	Sr. S	
JW	Vincent Grove	Jr. S	
Treas	Matt Coady	Mar	
Sec'y	Johnny J. Edwards	Chap	Ian Jones, Pro Tem
Sr. D	MWB Hunt Compton, Pro Tem	Tyler	Larry Lunger

LODGE WAS OPENED ON THE ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE IN FORM

LODGE WAS CALLED FROM LABOR TO REFRESHMENT:

PROGRAM: A program presented by Brother Nick Godfrey and Rachel Godfrey was given. In attendance also was the Youth Advisory Members Callum Godfrey and Asher Larkin. The program was on their foundation called, Traveling Light Foundation TLF. The presentation was very enlightening and was enjoyed by the Brothers in attendance.

LODGE WAS CALLED FROM REFRESHMENT TO LABOR:

Visitors: None

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: WB Johnny J. Edwards reported that WB JP Porter was recovering from Covid and was not feeling very well from post covid. Brother Alex Victor reported that his grandfather who was a former Green Beret was now in hospice.

MINUTES: Minutes were posted prior to the Current Stated meeting via email. Motion was made to accept the minutes as presented by Brother Will Painter. 2nd by Brother Nick Godfrey. Motion was passed.

PETITIONS: None.

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REPORTS OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES: None.

BALLOTING ON PETITIONS: None.

BILLS:

WB Johnny J. Edwards presented bills to be paid. MWB Hunt M. Compton made the motion to pay the bills as presented. This was 2nd by Brother Matt Coady. Motion was passed.

MOTION:

MWB Hunt M. Compton made a motion to use the previous years approved budget for 2023 until a Budget is approved by the lodge. 2nd was made by Brother Will Painter. Motion was passed.

RECEIVING AND CONSIDERING RESOLUTIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

1. Secretary report was given
    a. Financial report was given. The balance sheet of all accounts will be added to the Stated Minutes in the Minutes Binder located in the Lodge Office.
    b. The Worshipful Master has approved emailing the monthly minutes via email without password protection.
    c. Dues in arrears and life Membership was paid for by an anonymous benefactor for WB Dick Magers.
    d. Trustees Report: None given.
    e. Cemetery Report. Nothing to report.

CONSIDERING UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Lodge Building Insurance. WB Johnny J. Edwards presented an estimate from Payne West Insurance of McMinnville. After a brief back history of the situation and the amount for the Premium for 2023 WB Johnny J. Edwards made a motion to accept the estimate as presented. This was 2nd by MWB Hunt M. Compton. Motion was passed. WB Johnny J. Edwards asked for authority to sign for the lodge on this issue. The Worshipful Master gave that authority from the East.
2. Giving Tree motion for $200.00 was not written in time to be given to the Giving Tree Charity for 2022. WB Johnny J. Edwards reported that an email was sent to GLO asking if this donation is to late to be sent in. WB Nick Godfrey who made the December Motion to give this donation recommended to hold off on removing this motion until next month with hope of hearing back from GLO on the issue.
3. NPD. WB Johnny J. Edwards gave a report of NPD from 2022. This is a carry over issue from the December 2022 Stated Meeting.

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a. Brothers Myers, Phillips, Munger, Reese were reported as still NPD after three attempts at contacting them concerning their NPD status. Only Brother Munger reached out to the Lodge sharing that he and his family are in financial difficulities.
   i. WB Johnny J. Edwards made the motion to wave Brother Mungers 2022 dues. Brother Nick Godfrey 2nd this motion. Motion was passed.
   ii. MWB Hunt M. Compton made a motion to drop from the rolls Brothers Myers, Phillips, Reese. This was 2nd by WB Johnny J. Edwards. Motion was passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Worshipful Master shared with the lodge that he would like to use last years budget for 2023.
   a. WB Johnny J. Edwards made the motion to use the 2022 budget for the 2023 Masonic Year. This was seconded by Brother Will Painter. Motion was passed.
2. Audit Committee was created by the Worshipful Master
   a. Brothers Will Painter, Nick Godfrey and Matt Coady were assigned. Worshipful Master announced the Brother Will Painter will be the Chairman of this committee.
3. Budget Committee was created by the Worshipful Master
   a. Brothers Will Painter, Vincent Grove and Nick Godfrey were assigned. Worshipful Master announced the Brother Will Painter will be the Chairman of this committee.
4. Finance Committee was created by the Worshipful Master
   a. Brothers Will Painter, Johnny J. Edwards and Nick Godfrey were assigned. Worshipful Master announced the Brother Will Painter will be the Chairman of this committee.
5. Grievance Committee was created by the Worshipful Master
   a. Brothers Vincent Grove, Johnny J. Edwards and Will Painter were assigned. Worshipful Master announced the Brother Vincent Grove will be the Chairman of this committee.
6. Worshipful Master asked for a Trustees report as to the plan on renovating the buildings electricity and other areas for building improvement. Trustees did not have this report to give at that time. Brother Trustee Nick Godfrey informed the Worshipful Master that this report will be given at the February 2023 Stated Meeting.
7. A motion was made by WB Johnny J. Edwards not to exceed $400.00 for the purpose of purchasing hearing devices called Phenyx Pro PTM-10B to allow our hard of hearing Brothers the ability to hear the proceedings of the lodge. 2nd by Brother Will Painter. Motion was passed. Brother Will Painter said that he will assist in this installation of this device when it is received.
8. Vandalism was reported by WB Johnny J. Edwards to the lodge. At the back of the building the lodge building is being spray painted. Brother Alex Victor shared that he thought security cameras would help. No further action was taken.
9. Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner was brought up for discussion by the Worshipful Master. He asked if there was any Brother willing to prepare this dinner at the March Stated Meeting. No one stood for this responsibility. Worshipful Master asked the Brothers if we should continue

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the dinner. Brother Ian Jones stood and shared that he thought that this was an important thing to continue.

a. WB Johnny J. Edwards made a motion to have Harvest Fresh cater the meal by preparing only the corned beef and cabbage for the dinner with the sides being salad, bread and a sheet cake for dessert. That Harvest Fresh from this year forward will be the caterer for this event until the motion is rescinded. Brother Nick Godfrey 2nd this motion. Motion was passed.

CONFERRING DEGREES: None.

LODGE WAS PLACED AT EASE FOR LODGE OFFICER INSTALLATION

1. Brother Vincent Grove was installed as Junior Warden and Brother Matt Coady was installed as Treasurer. Installing Master was WB Jared Branden-Flande, Installing Marshall was MWB Hunt M. Compton and Installing Chaplain was WB Johnny J. Edwards.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. It was announced by Brother Vincent Grove that at the February 2023 Stated Meeting he will be giving a Programs on Coins.
2. WB Johnny J. Edwards announce that a Poll was sent out via email to the Lodge Brothers.

LODGE WAS CLOSED IN FORM ON THE ENTERED APPRENTICE DEGREE

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Secretary — Worshipful Master

(Johnny J. Edwards) — (Jared Branden-Flande)

Degrees

In 2022 many Brothers were elected to receive the Degrees of Freemasonry. Brothers Evertt Beckner, Michael Lathrop and Alex Victor being our new Master Masons all Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in 2023.

New Master Masons Beckner and Lathrop

New Master Mason Alex Victor with his proud Coach WB Matt Gerbrandt

Historical Past Practices of the Lodge

Currently there is only two Brothers of Union No. 3 who attend regularly that have been members for many years. During these last few years we have had many Brothers pass away or move on for one reason or another. This has left a huge void in the memory of our Past Practices of our lodge. Tradition is one of the most important aspects of a Masonic Lodge. All lodges have different traditions and below were ours. Will our future Worshipful Masters restart these traditions?

1. Past Master Recognition. This recognition has fell out of our lodges tradition a couple years back. Pretty much after the Masonic trials etc. I don't have a reason why it just did. It is considered a high honor to be recognized as a Past Master in Open Lodge during a ceremony.

2. Hiram Awards recognition. This recognition doesn't happen very often. Usually when a Hiram Award is awarded to a worthy Brother.

3. 50 Year award recognition. If we have a Brother who has been awarded a 50 Year Jewel or higher then we always try to get him to lodge to be recognized. If there is a lodge recognition / award then before Jewell is presented the WM asks all 50 Year or Higher awardees to stand behind the Brother being presented with a jewel.

4. Honorary Past Master. This recognition doesn't happen very often. Only when the WM decides there is a worthy Brother.

5. Service Recognition. In the past years it use to be a yearly recognition to recognize all Brothers who are or have ever served in a service related position. Such as Military, Police and Fire Department. There would be a designated Brother to walk around the lodge and stop at each Brother who is or has served and ask him to share his affiliation.

6. Civic Programs. In the past we have had interesting programs from members of the community. I have sat in lodge when Spirit Mountain Elder spoke of the Reservation early history, mortician shared his thoughts on the line of work and educators.

Use of Lafayette No. 3 Lead Square and Compass used in Degree

My son Johnny Benjamin James Edwards was received by this framed S&C on his FC Degree because our degree S&C was missing.

In the collection of Union No. 3 in McMinnville Oregon is a curious framed lead Square and Compass that was used at Lafayette No. 3.

"This Square and Compass was made of lead and Presented by I. G. Suter to Lafayette Lodge No. 3, A. F. and A. M. at the time charter was issued - - May 9, 1851, and used until May 14, 1927, making a total of 76 years."

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Charity

This years charity that was chosen was Traveling Light foundation. Specifically School Supplies and a 3rd street business that had vandalism. Lastly 250.00 was given to the St. Barnabas Soup Kitchen for socks for the homeless.

Cemeteries

McMinnville Masonic Cemetery

The McMinnville Masonic Cemetery was blessed with a wonderful donation from our Brothers John and Jay Compton. They both donated the paving of the roads of the MMC. In honor of this gesture the Brothers of Union No. 3 unanimously voted to give both of these wonderful Brothers a Life Membership within the lodge. An article was written for the Oregon Heritage Blog authored by Johnny J. Edwards[1].

Sons of Veterans of the Civil War replaced a Marker in the GAR section of our McMinnville Masonic Cemetery. This was well attended and an article was written[2].

At the September Stated Meeting WB Johnny J. Edwards presented to open lodge the need for a new plan for investment for perpetual care for our two cemeteries. Worshipful Brother Johnny J. Edwards made the following motion. MOTION: The Cemetery CD Fund (Chrisman Fund) located at OnPoint will be moved and be reinvested at Edward Jones for Edward Jones to manage said fund for the purpose of yearly perpetual care of the MMC and LMC. 2nd by Brother Nick Godfrey. The Worshipful Master placed the lodge at ease to allow a side bar discussion. The Lodge was called back to order. **Worshipful Brother Johnny J. Edwards shared with the membership that the Trustees present agreed from the date of this meeting forward the Principle of the Cemetery Fund CD (Chrisman Fund) will never go below the principal amount of $150,000.00**. After much discussion the Worshipful Master called for a vote. The Motion passed unanimously.

[1] Article located in Newly Found History section in this addendum.
[2] Article located in Newly Found History section in this addendum.

This single decision of the lodge will protect the MMC Cemetery in perpetuity. This decision by this authors opinion is the most significant decision made concerning the MMC since the creation of the Chrisman Fund in 1905.

Lafayette Masonic Cemetery

The Lafayette Masonic Cemetery was just mowed and cared for this year. After many years of repairs from the 2021 Vandalism that damaged around 30 markers the sexton and the cemetery took a well deserved break. LMC Grant 2022-2023 was completed with 16 headstone markers repaired. This project began in 2022 but had to be delayed many times because of weather issues.

Building Renovations

After many years of planning and implementation the building repairs and upgrades are now coming to an end. In 2017 WB Frank Blair and Johnny J. Edwards had a vision. The vision was to turn the old OES changing room into a lounge. The journey from a room full of junk, ceiling, walls and floors being damaged we today have a beautiful lounge. Now it is up to the lodge Brothers to figure out just how we are going to use it[3].

The Trustees of the lodge gave a program at the September Stated Meeting concerning the necessity of repairs and upgrades for the front door, elevator and 2nd floor hallway. After the Trustee presentation given by Johnny J. Edwards he made a motion to use our Building Fund CD and remove $24,062.82 for these repairs and renovations. This was placed into discussion and after much deliberation it was brought to the floor for discussion by MWB Hunt M. Compton to raise the initial dollar amount to $26,000.00 for possible over costs. The motion was revised which then was approved unanimously by the membership. By the end of the year of 2023 we will have had the following upgraded / repaired with the exception of the Security Camera Installation which will be a 2024 project:

BUILDING UPGRADES AND REPAIRS APPROVED BY THE TRUSTEES[4]

1. Insurance Insulation Issue COMPLETED. Reimburse Building Checking. 2200.00
2. Insurance Kitchen Circuit Panel issue R and R COMPLETED. Reimburse Building Checking. 2675.00
3. 2nd Floor bathroom inspections COMPLETED. Reimburse Building Checking. 418.30
4. New key switch and keys for outside of the elevator for renters on the 2nd floor and 3rd floor keys. 1930.96
5. 2nd floor restroom repairs. Cost of repairs 2800.00
6. Carpet cleaning on 2nd floor. Not to exceed 1000.00
7. The lighting on the second floor needs to be repaired. The Trustees recommend LED lights be installed. Cost of upgrade 2261.00
8. Painting of the 2nd floor hallways. 7173.00
9. The security of our building via the front door is a great concern to the Trustees of this lodge. The front door needs to be replaced with an updated electronic locking system that is either card controlled, or keypad controlled. 2735.56

[3] Article located in Newly Found History section in this addendum.

[4] Excerpt from the September 2023 Stated Meeting.

10. A security camera system needs to be installed for the second floor and also at the front door and back of the building, which will be wireless and fed to an internal Wi-Fi system. 369.00
11. An upgraded Wi-Fi system throughout the lodge needs to be installed. This is needed for the new security doors and cameras to properly record and monitor the security system. Not to exceed 500.00
12. TOTAL AS OF 9-5-23 = 24062.82

Dinners

Lodge dinners were restarted on Stated Meeting nights. Many Brothers have been coming out for this dinner every month and it can be considered a success by this author. It is the hope that the Brothers of Union No. 3 keep this tradition going.

Lodge Fellowship

Brother Nick Godfrey and his family welcomed all of the Brothers of Union No. 3 to their home for a summer barbecue. The event was a wonderful day for all. Fellowship and Brotherly loved prevailing.

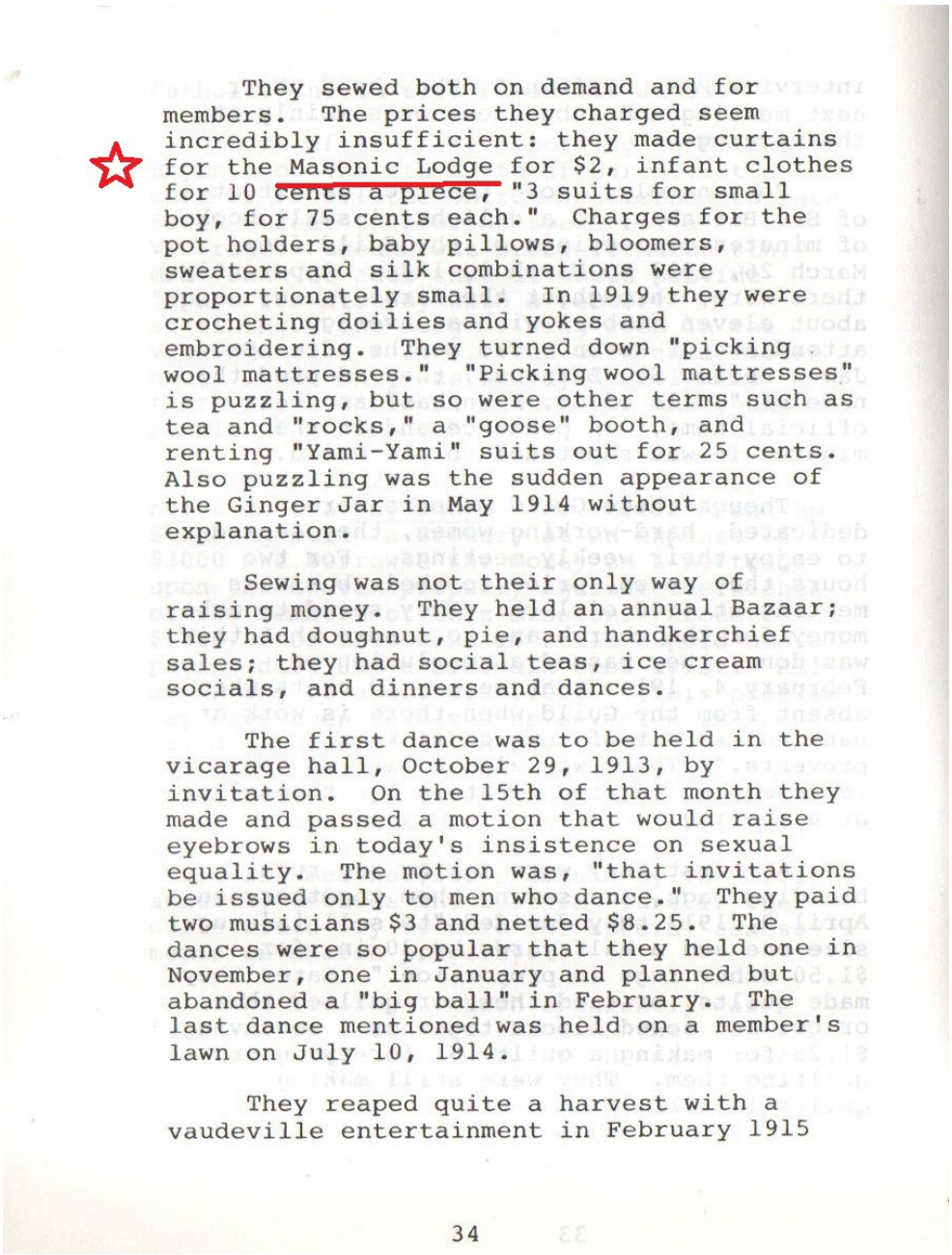
Newly Found History

From the memory of MWB Hunt M. Compton
3 Brothers in Lafayette No. 3. They included the Holst Brethren Elmer, Herbert, Melvin and Wendell. Lodge records only shows 1 of the four as a Past Master of Joppa #151 which consolidated with Lafayette #3 in 1974.[5]

[5] Per MWB Hunt M. Compton 12-13-22 email.

Curtains of the Lodge ca.1914

With the newly built Masonic Lodge Building ready to be used recently found history of the original curtains that were used with the lodge were made by the St. Barnabas Episcopal Church of McMinnville Oregon.



They sewed both on demand and for members. The prices they charged seem incredibly insufficient: they made curtains for the Masonic Lodge for $2, infant clothes for 10 cents a piece, "3 suits for small boy, for 75 cents each." Charges for the pot holders, baby pillows, bloomers, sweaters and silk combinations were proportionately small. In 1919 they were crocheting doilies and yokes and embroidering. They turned down "picking wool mattresses." "Picking wool mattresses" is puzzling, but so were other terms such as tea and "rocks," a "goose" booth, and renting "Yami-Yami" suits out for 25 cents. Also puzzling was the sudden appearance of the Ginger Jar in May 1914 without explanation.

Sewing was not their only way of raising money. They held an annual Bazaar; they had doughnut, pie, and handkerchief sales; they had social teas, ice cream socials, and dinners and dances.

The first dance was to be held in the vicarage hall, October 29, 1913, by invitation. On the 15th of that month they made and passed a motion that would raise eyebrows in today's insistence on sexual equality. The motion was, "that invitations be issued only to men who dance." They paid two musicians $3 and netted $8.25. The dances were so popular that they held one in November, one in January and planned but abandoned a "big ball" in February. The last dance mentioned was held on a member's lawn on July 10, 1914.

They reaped quite a harvest with a vaudeville entertainment in February 1915

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St. Barnabas Episcopal Church History

Triplet Brothers Raised together in Lafayette No. 3 in 1899

Triplet Candidates in Lafayette Lodge

One of First Three Lodges in Oregon Made Early Record
Not Likely Ever to Be Equalled

A NUMBER of three-generation families have been found in several Lodges in Oregon, but probably no other Lodge in Oregon, possibly no other in the world, can equal the record of Lafayette Lodge No. 3 at Yamhill, which once conferred the degrees on triplets. The MM° was conferred Dec. 15, 1899, when the Lodge was yet located at Lafayette, and the three brothers were William, Walter and Wallace Petty. Evidently no one back in those early days thought of the event being unusual, for the fact that the three candidates were triplets was not even entered in the minutes at the time of their receiving any of the degrees or at any other time. Evidently there was no prearrangement relative to the three receiving their degrees at the same time. William Petty was the first to present his petition and was initiated Aug. 18, 1899. Walter and Wallace presented their petitions a month or two later and were initiated Oct. 13, while William was passed to the FC° the same night. Walter and Wallace were passed to the degree of Fellowcraft Nov. 17 and all three were raised Dec. 15. Although no record was made of the unusual event, someone had the foresight to take a picture of the Brothers and of the Master. Lafayette Lodge removed to Yamhill in 1902, three years

after the raising of the Petty brothers.

Walter Petty seems to have taken more interest in the Lodge than the others. He was JD in 1901, JW in 1902 and SW in 1903. For some reason he was not advanced to the East, but in 1904 he served as JS and in 1908 was elected to the East from the floor. His interest continued and he served as JD in 1918. He died March 23, 1920, at the age of 59.

William served as JD in 1904 and as SD in 1915. He died June 24, 1929, at the age of 68.

Wallace never held an office. He died Nov. 23, 1935, at the age of 74.

None of the three ever married and their mother lived with them until her death.

The brothers were born at or near Richmond, Ind., Feb. 9, 1861, and removed with their parents to Iowa. Their father died while they still were minors and they removed with their mother to eastern Washington by horse team. They soon removed to Oregon and bought a ranch six or seven miles west of Yamhill on the Yamhill-Tillamook road, where they resided until their death. As young men William and Wallace worked in logging camps, while Walter attended to the work at home. Following the death of William, Wallace, left alone, resided on the place until a few years before his death, when he gave the place to a niece in return for her care of him. During the last few years he was so crippled with rheumatism that he was unable to work.

The picture used with this story was made from a large reproduction originally owned by John A. Simmons, the Master shown in the picture. The large reproduction hangs in the Tyler's room of Lafayette Lodge. Brother Simmons conferred the degrees on the triplets, including the second section of the MM°, the lecture and the charge. He presented the picture to the Lodge shortly before his death in 1933.

(Oregon Mason is deeply indebted to Nelson Willits, long-time Secretary of Lafayette Lodge, for searching the records for the information contained in this story.)

IDEALS are like stars; you will not succeed in touching them with your hands, but like the seafaring man on the desert of waters, you choose them as your guides, and following them, you reach your destiny.—Carl Schurg.

Lodge and Attached Bodies Take Same Numbers

UNITED STATES Freemasonry does not have the custom that prevails in numerous Masonic jurisdictions in which Lodges of Instruction, Royal Arch Chapters, etc., are attached to Lodges. We have Royal Arch Chapters which have rooms entirely separate from rooms occupied by Lodges. The only example in Oregon is Portland Chapter No. 3. This Chapter would not be chartered in many grand jurisdictions in which attachment to a Lodge is required. Here is an example: Attached to Excelsior Lodge No. 617, Buenos Aires, Argentina, are Emulation Lodge of Instruction No. 617 and Masefield Chapter No. 617. It will be noted that the attached bodies take the same number as the number of the Lodge to which they are attached, which may in some instances cause confusion as to the ages of the attached bodies.

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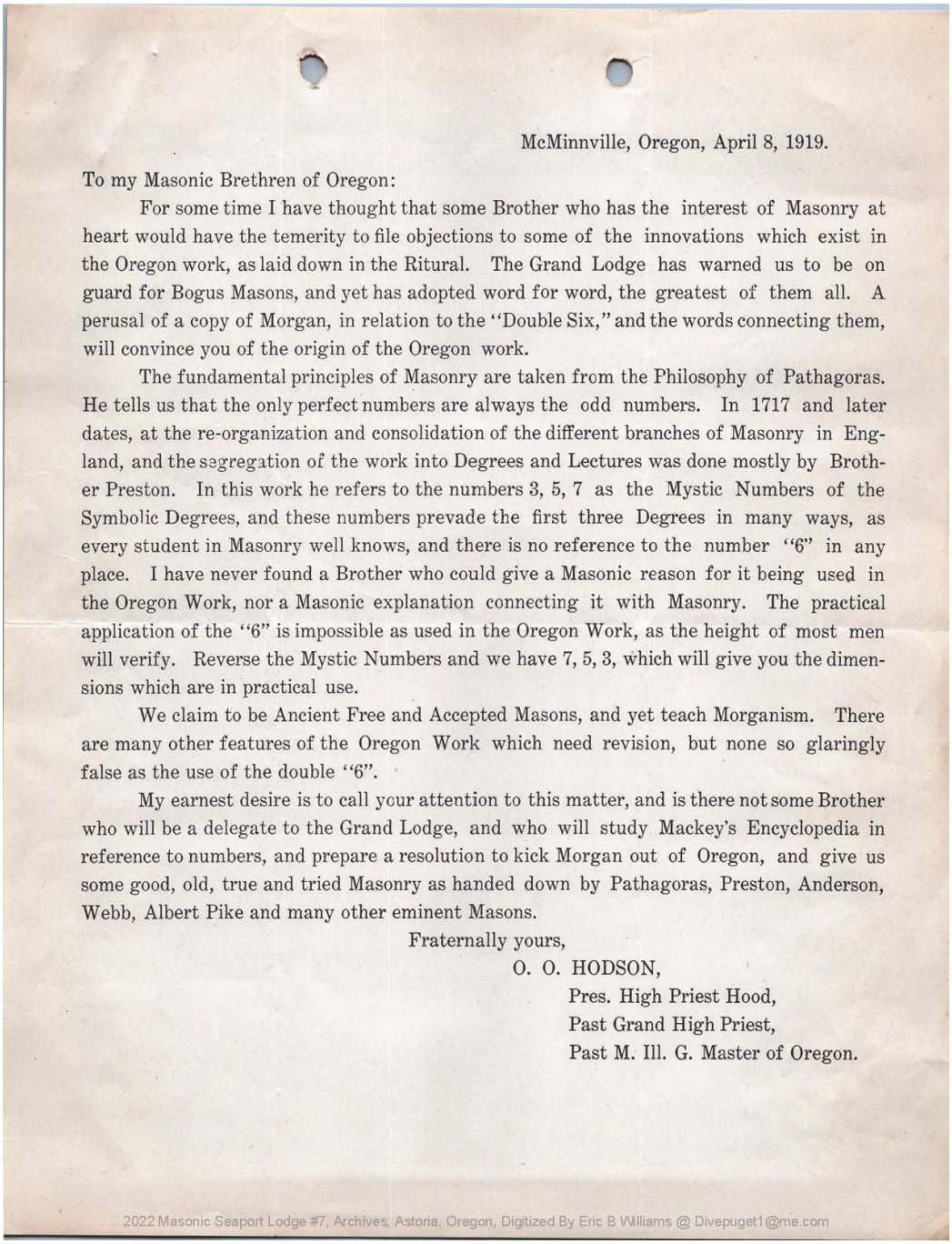
Curious Document

A curious document surfaced while going through Grand Lodge of Oregon Museum documents at the MWB RMR Memorial Library and Museum. This document refers to 'the double 6' used within the Orgon Work in 1919. The author is not a Ritualist, but I do not know to what this person refers to. Anyone out there who has an idea please contact Johnny J. Edwards.



McMinnville, Oregon, April 8, 1919.

To my Masonic Brethren of Oregon:

For some time I have thought that some Brother who has the interest of Masonry at heart would have the temerity to file objections to some of the innovations which exist in the Oregon work, as laid down in the Ritural. The Grand Lodge has warned us to be on guard for Bogus Masons, and yet has adopted word for word, the greatest of them all. A perusal of a copy of Morgan, in relation to the "Double Six," and the words connecting them, will convince you of the origin of the Oregon work.

The fundamental principles of Masonry are taken from the Philosophy of Pathagoras. He tells us that the only perfect numbers are always the odd numbers. In 1717 and later dates, at the re-organization and consolidation of the different branches of Masonry in England, and the segregation of the work into Degrees and Lectures was done mostly by Brother Preston. In this work he refers to the numbers 3, 5, 7 as the Mystic Numbers of the Symbolic Degrees, and these numbers prevade the first three Degrees in many ways, as every student in Masonry well knows, and there is no reference to the number "6" in any place. I have never found a Brother who could give a Masonic reason for it being used in the Oregon Work, nor a Masonic explanation connecting it with Masonry. The practical application of the "6" is impossible as used in the Oregon Work, as the height of most men will verify. Reverse the Mystic Numbers and we have 7, 5, 3, which will give you the dimensions which are in practical use.

We claim to be Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and yet teach Morganism. There are many other features of the Oregon Work which need revision, but none so glaringly false as the use of the double "6".

My earnest desire is to call your attention to this matter, and is there not some Brother who will be a delegate to the Grand Lodge, and who will study Mackey's Encyclopedia in reference to numbers, and prepare a resolution to kick Morgan out of Oregon, and give us some good, old, true and tried Masonry as handed down by Pathagoras, Preston, Anderson, Webb, Albert Pike and many other eminent Masons.

Fraternally yours,

O. O. HODSON,
Pres. High Priest Hood,
Past Grand High Priest,
Past M. Ill. G. Master of Oregon.

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Lodge Building Pictures

https://oregondigital.org/concern/images/df737798g?locale=en

Masonic Building is on the Historic Record

Historic Resources Survey
City of McMinnville
Yamhill County, Oregon

Site No. 9-10a

Block 9 Lot 7 & 8

Addition Original Town

Tax Lot 4421BC 7100

Address 251 Third Street

Common Name Rutherford's

Historic Name Masonic Building

Present Owner Masonic Lodge

Present Use Commercial; Lodgehall

Original Use Commercial; Lodgehall

Builder or Architect Contractor: Robert Shelley

Outbuildings None

Date of Construction 1913

-Condition Assessment on Reverse Side-

Statement of historical significance and description of property:

This is a basically square three-story buff-colored brick structure with a flat roof, facing south on the corner of Third and Cowls. The facade and east elevation are seven-bayed, the facade having two windows per bay except at the corners. Windows of the second and third stories are one-over-one, double-hung sash, inset with no surrounds; the first floor on the south has four large storefront windows, storefront windows on the east have been boarded over and are superimposed by multi-lighted transoms. There are piers between the bays and belt courses articulate the floors. Cornice ornament of corbelled cut brickwork encircles the building approximately two feet below the roofline. The entrance on the corner has been cut away and a modern brick pillar supports a metal canopy. The rear elevation is plain red brick with irregular fenestration; windows are arched, double-hung sash of varying sizes with deep reveals. Some windows have been fitted with aluminum storm windows.

The cornerstone reads: "Union Lodge No. 48 A F & A M laid by M. W. Grand Master October 18, 1913."

The building was erected at a cost of $38,000. It replaces an earlier Masonic Hall which was a smaller, two-story Italianate brick structure occupied by Bishop Clothiers. David M. Nayberger operated the first mercantile store in the new building until 1930. The building still houses a store on the first floor and offices and lodge hall above.

Secondary Resource No. 166

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Oregon Historic Site Record

LOCATION AND PROPERTY NAME

address:	251 E 3rd St	**historic name:**	Masonic Building
	McMinnville, Yamhill County	**current/other names:**	AF & AM Union Lodge #48
assoc addresses:		**block/lot/tax lot:**	
location descr:		**twnshp/rng/sect/qtr sect:**	4S 4W 20

PROPERTY CHARACTERISTICS

resource type:	Building	**height (stories):** 3.0	**total elig resources:**	**total inelig resources:**	
elig evaluation:	eligible/contributing		**NR Status:**	Listed in Historic District	
prim constr date:	1913	**second date:**	**date indiv listed:**		
primary orig use:	Meeting Hall		**orig use comments:**		
second orig use:	Department Store				
primary style:	Commercial (Type)		**prim style comments:**		
secondary style:			**sec style comments:**		
primary siding:	Brick:Other/Undefined		**siding comments:**		
secondary siding:					
plan type:			**architect:**	Christopher C. Robbins	
			builder:	Shelley, Robert	

comments/notes:

GROUPINGS / ASSOCIATIONS

Survey/Grouping Included In:	Type of Grouping	Date Listed	Date Compiled
McMinnville Downtown Historic District	Listed Historic District	09/14/1987	

SHPO INFORMATION FOR THIS PROPERTY

NR date listed:	N/A	**106 Project(s):**	None
ILS survey date:		**Special Assess Project(s):**	None
RLS survey date:		**Federal Tax Project(s):**	None

ARCHITECTURAL / PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

(Includes expanded description of the building/property, setting, significant landscape features, outbuildings and alterations)

Refer to scanned documents links.

HISTORY

(Chronological, descriptive history of the property from its construction through at least the historic period - preferably to the present)

"McMinnville Masons to Build," Morning Oregonian, December 22, 1912, p. 7. The Masonic Lodge at McMinnville , known as Union Lodge, No. 43, will have plans drawn for a modern structure to cost about $40,000. The building will be of brick and steel construction and will contains three stories. The first floor will be occupied by a department store, the second story will be fitted up for offices and the third floor will be used for lodge purposes. The plans are now being prepared by Architect C. C. Robbins. Work on the building will be started early next spring."

RESEARCH INFORMATION

Title Records	Census Records	Property Tax Records	Local Histories
Sanborn Maps	Biographical Sources	SHPO Files	Interviews
Obituaries	Newspapers	State Archives	Historic Photographs
City Directories	Building Permits	State Library	

Local Library:		**University Library:**	
Historical Society:		**Other Respository:**	

Bibliography:

Miscellaneous History found within the Masonic Lodge folder held at the Yamhill County Historical Society.

Masons Observe 100 Years In McMinnville

More than 250 Masons from throughout Oregon attended the 100th anniversary no host dinner of Union Lodge 43, AF&AM Saturday evening in Memorial School auditorium. Warren A. McMinimee, grand master of Masons of Oregon, gave the address.

The beginnings of Masonry in Oregon are dated from the establishment of Multnomah Lodge 84, at Oregon City in 1846 under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Missouri. Oregon Grand Lodge, constituted in 1851, rechartered Multnomah Lodge as number one and separated Willamette 2, Portland, and Lafayette 3, from affiliation with the Grand Lodge of California.

Masonry in McMinnville took a preliminary step as early as 1860 when a dispensation for a lodge here, under the sponsorship of Lafayette 3, was issued at the 10 annual Grand Lodge Communication at Salem. Events, however, were to delay the actual chartering of Union Lodge 43 for another eight years.

Presumably, McMinnville Masons took part in neighboring lodges until 1867. The first regular communication of Union Lodge 43 was held in a hall at the southeast corner of Third and Cowls streets. Charter was granted to the lodge at the 18 annual Communication of the Grand Lodge at Portland in 1868. The first meeting under the new charter was held July 18, and on Oct. 3. Union Lodge raised its first Master Mason G.W. Jones, under charter authority.

The highlight of the second quarter of Union Lodge 43 history seems to have been the building of the present Masonic Temple on Third street in the fall of 1914. It was noted as "the largest business block in Yamhill County." The new Masonic building replaced an earlier temple built on the same site in 1882.

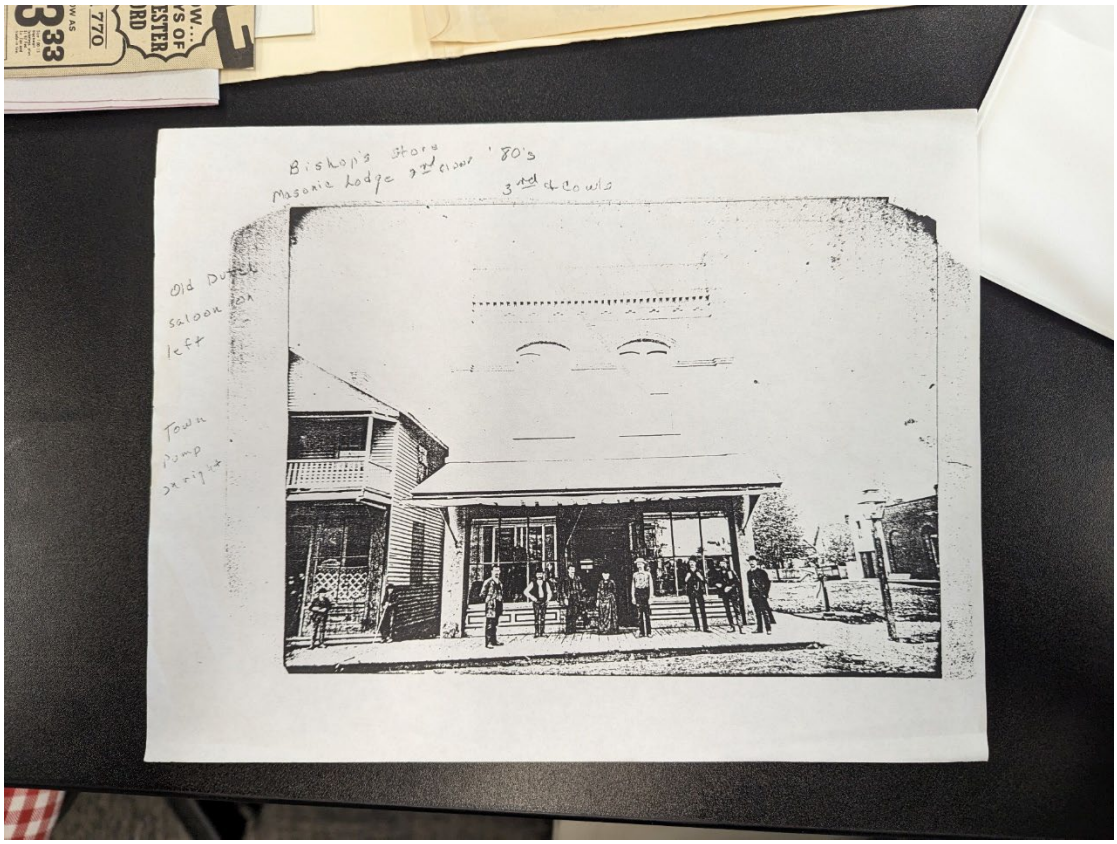
At the dinner an organ prelude and the invocation preceded introductions by Worshipful Master Norman Scott who introduced the most worshipful grand master and other grand officers.

Entertainment was by the McMinnville High School Twilighters, the Yamhill County Little Singers and a solo by Douglas Anderson.

NORMAN SCOTT
Worshipful Master

WARREN McMINIMEE
Oregon Grand Master

Newly-installed Master Councilor of the McMinnville Chapter, Order of DeMolay, is Don Myatt (front, center), son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Myatt of McMinnville. Other officers installed with him are (l-r, front) Rick Coursey, treasurer; Bruce Robison, senior councilor; Rick McDonough, junior councilor; and Mike Morton, scribe; (2nd row) Mike Ingram, junior deacon; Steve Johnson, chaplain; Mark Hopkes, senior steward; Scott Davis, standard bearer; and Gary Hunt, senior deacon; (3rd row) Ron Myatt, 1st preceptor, Bobo Williams, orator; and Mike Hyder, almoner; (back row) Marvin Melonuk, 2nd preceptor; Steve Morton, 3td preceptor; Steve Agee, 4th preceptor, and Carl Bergstrom, 5th preceptor.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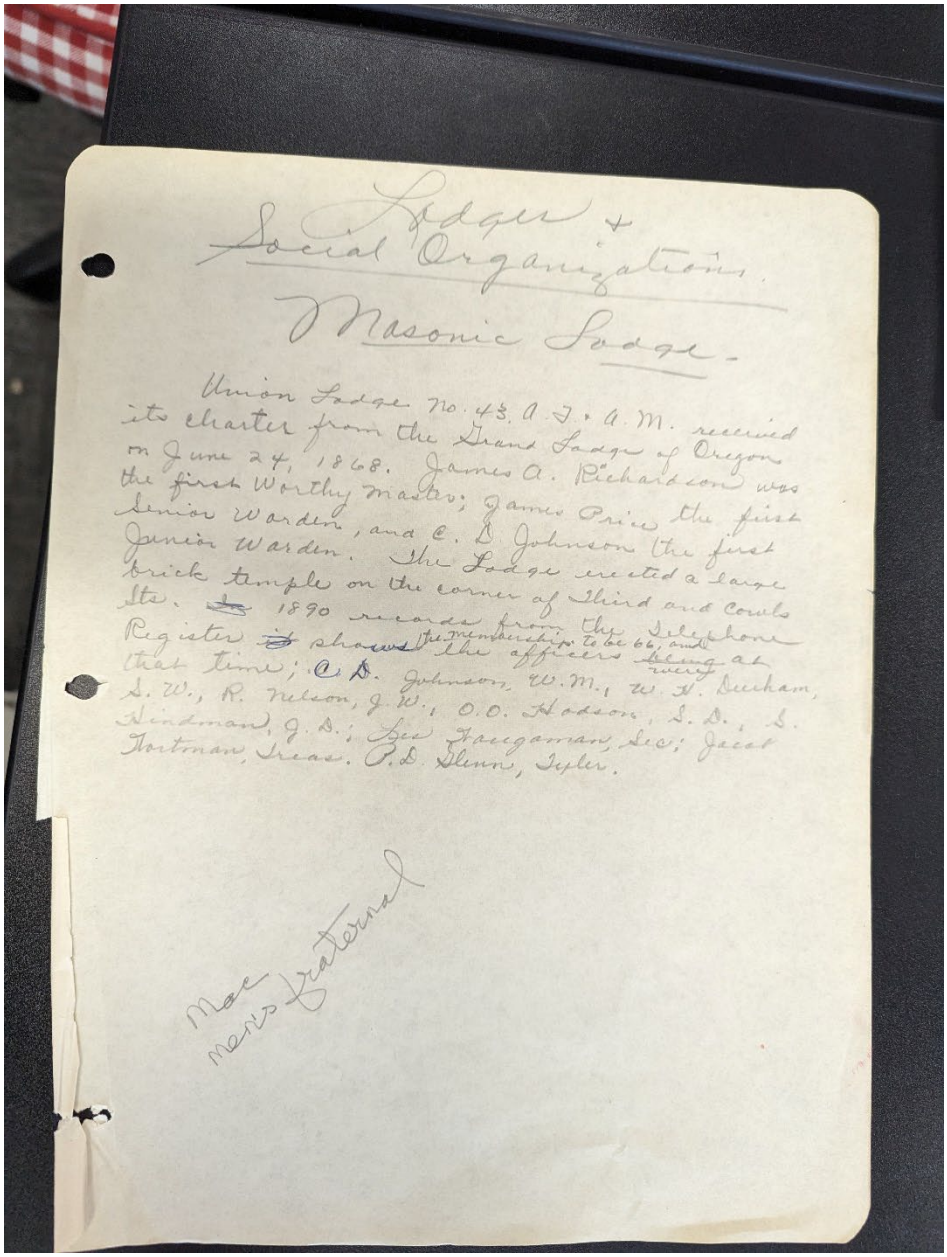

Lodges + Social Organizations.

Masonic Lodge.

Union Lodge No. 43. A. F. & A. M. received its charter from the Grand Lodge of Oregon on June 24, 1868. James A. Richardson was the first Worthy Master; James Price the first Senior Warden, and C. D. Johnson the first Junior Warden. The Lodge erected a large brick temple on the corner of Third and Cowls Sts. ~~In~~ 1890 records from the Telephone Register ~~of~~ shows the membership to be 66, and the officers ~~being~~ at that time; C. D. Johnson, W.M., W. H. Beckham, S. W., R. Nelson, J. W., O.O. Hodson, S. D., S. Hindman, J. D.; Lee Faugaman, Sec; Jacob Fortman, Treas. P.D. Glenn, Tyler.

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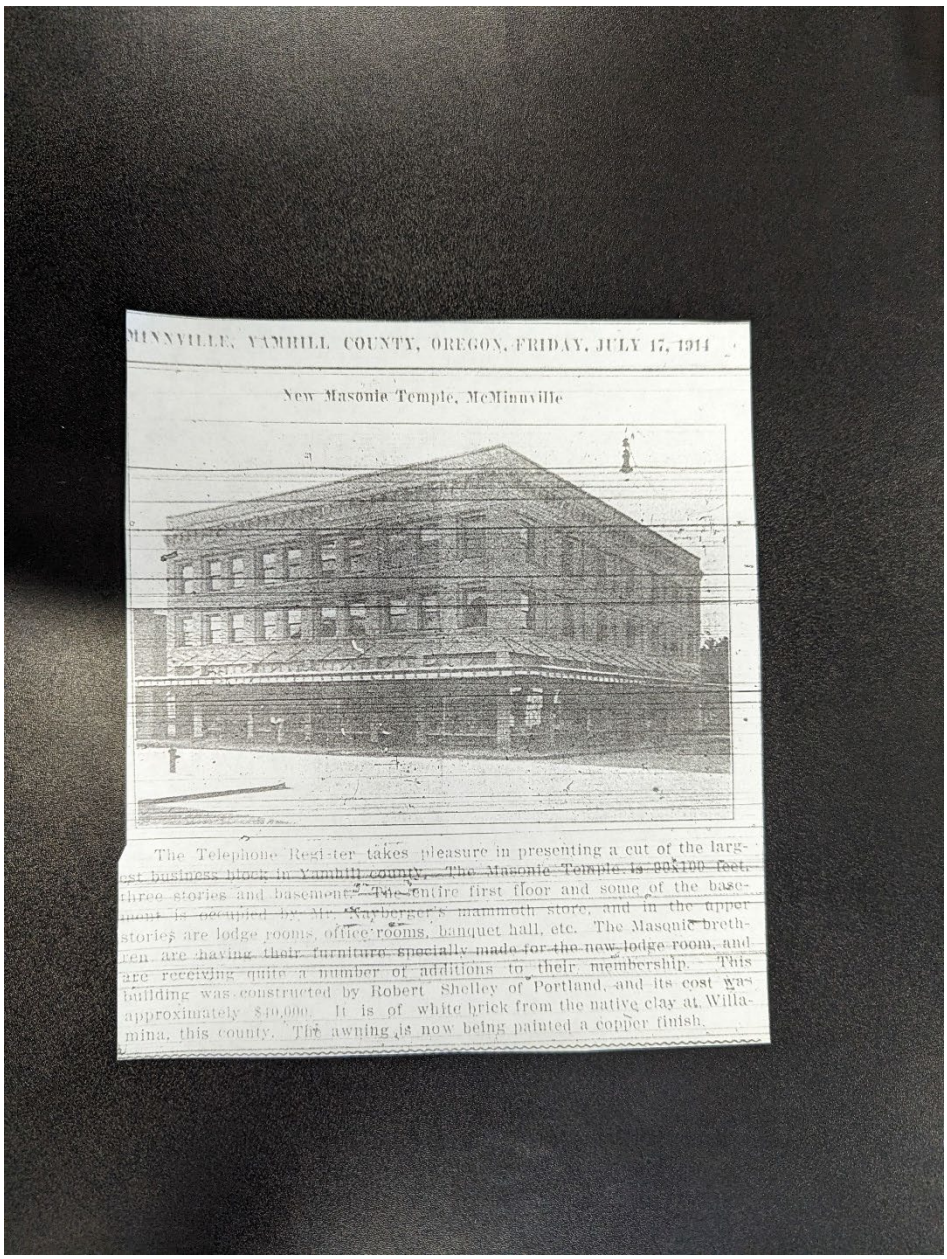
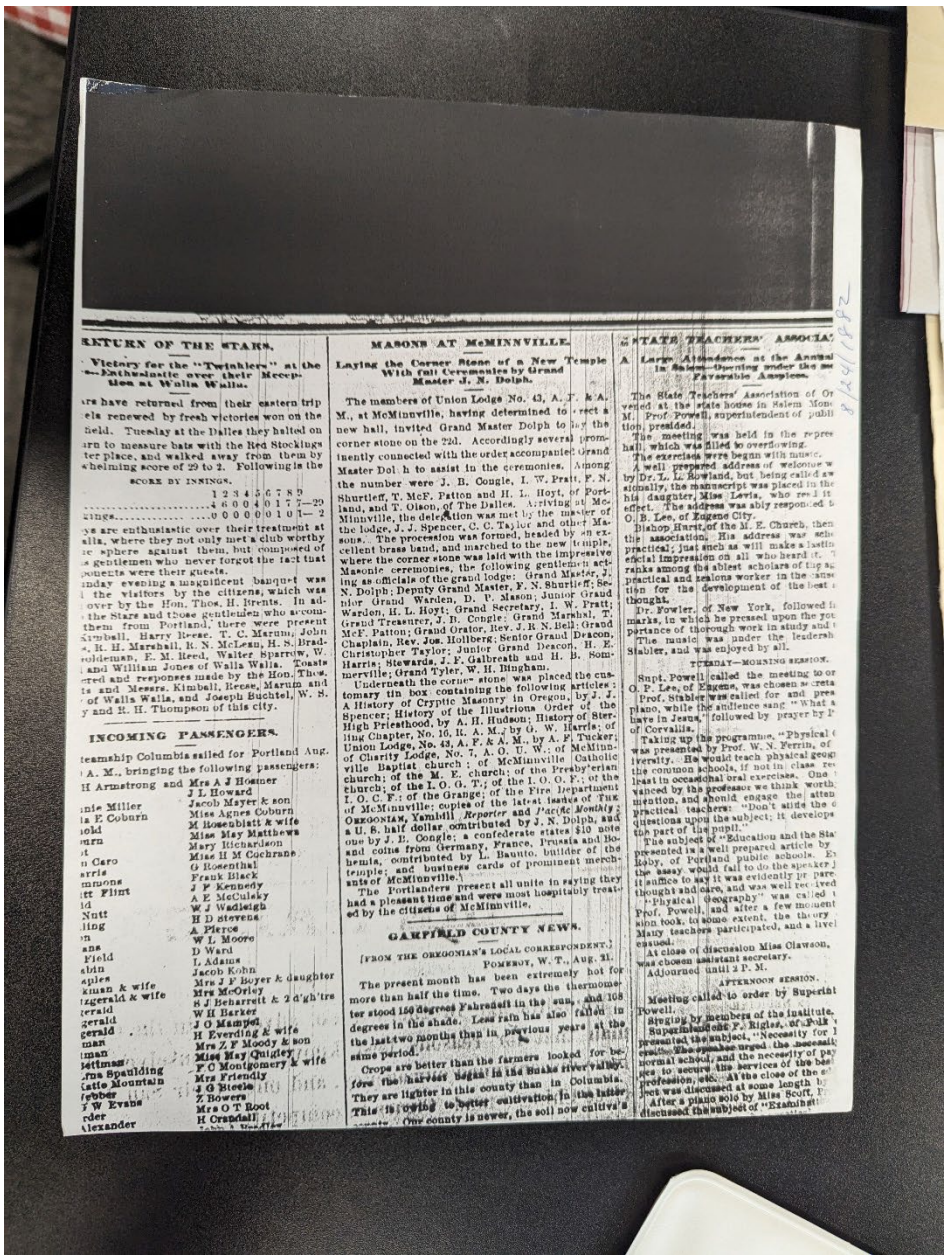


MINNVILLE, YAMHILL COUNTY, OREGON, FRIDAY, JULY 17, 1914

New Masonic Temple, McMinnville

The Telephone Regi-ter takes pleasure in presenting a cut of the largest business block in Yamhill county. The Masonic Temple is 80X100 feet, three stories and basement. The entire first floor and some of the basement is occupied by Mr. Nayberger's mammoth store, and in the upper stories are lodge rooms, office rooms, banquet hall, etc. The Masonic brethren are having their furniture specially made for the new lodge room, and are receiving quite a number of additions to their membership. This building was constructed by Robert Shelley of Portland, and its cost was approximately $40,000. It is of white brick from the native clay at Willamina, this county. The awning is now being painted a copper finish.



RETURN OF THE STARS.

Victory for the "Twinklers" at the Pathwinnette over their Reception at Walla Walla.

are have returned from their eastern trip
els renewed by fresh victories won on the
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arn to measure bats with the Red Stockings
ter place, and walked away from them by
whelming score of 29 to 2. Following is the

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ys are enthusiastic over their treatment at
alla, where they not only met a club worthy
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s gentlemen who never forgot the fact that
ponents were their guests.
nday evening a magnificent banquet was
the visitors by the citizens, which was
over by the Hon. Thos. H. Brents. In ad-
the Stars and those gentlemen who accom-
them from Portland, there were present
Kimball, Harry Reese, T. C. Marum, John
R. H. Marshall, R. N. McLean, H. S. Brad-
oldeman, E. M. Reed, Walter Sparrow, W.
and William Jones of Walla Walla. Toasts
ered and responses made by the Hon. Thos.
ts and Messrs. Kimball, Reese, Marum and
of Walla Walla, and Joseph Buchtel, W. S.
y and R. H. Thompson of this city.

INCOMING PASSENGERS.

teamship Columbia sailed for Portland Aug.
A. M., bringing the following passengers:

H Armstrong and	Mrs A J Hosmer
	J L Howard
nie Miller	Jacob Mayer & son
ia E Coburn	Miss Agnes Coburn
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urn	Miss May Matthews
t	Mary Richardson
n Caro	Miss H M Cochrane
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d	A E McCulsky
Nutt	W J Wadleigh
ling	H D stevens
n	A Pierce
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Field	D Ward
abin	L Adams
apies	Jacob Kohn
kman & wife	Mrs J F Boyer & daughter
zgerald & wife	Mrs McOrley
	S J Beharrett & 2 d'gh'trs
erald	W H Barker
gerald	J O Mampel
gerald	H Everding & wife
man	Mrs Z F Moody & son
man	Miss May Quigley
ettman	F C Montgomery & wife
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J W Evans	Mrs O T Root
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MASONS AT McMINNVILLE.

Laying the Corner Stone of a New Temple With Full Ceremonies by Grand Master J. N. Dolph.

The members of Union Lodge No. 43, A. F. & A. M., at McMinnville, having determined to erect a new hall, invited Grand Master Dolph to lay the corner stone on the 22d. Accordingly several prominently connected with the order accompanied Grand Master Dolph to assist in the ceremonies. Among the number were J. B. Congle, I. W. Pratt, F. N. Shurtleff, T. McF. Patton and H. L. Hoyt, of Portland, and T. Olson, of The Dalles. Arriving at McMinnville, the delegation was met by the master of the lodge, J. J. Spencer, C. C. Taylor and other Masons. The procession was formed, headed by an excellent brass band, and marched to the new temple, where the corner stone was laid with the impressive Masonic ceremonies, the following gentlemen acting as officials of the grand lodge: Grand Master, J. N. Dolph; Deputy Grand Master, F. N. Shurtleff; Senior Grand Warden, D. P. Mason; Junior Grand Warden, H. L. Hoyt; Grand Secretary, I. W. Pratt; Grand Treasurer, J. B. Congle; Grand Marshal, T. McF. Patton; Grand Orator, Rev. J. R. N. Bell; Grand Chaplain, Rev. Jos. Hollberg; Senior Grand Deacon, H. E. Christopher Taylor; Junior Grand Deacon, H. E. Harris; Stewards, J. F. Galbreath and H. B. Sommerville; Grand Tyler, W. H. Bingham.

Underneath the corner stone was placed the customary tin box containing the following articles: A History of Cryptic Masonry in Oregon, by J. J. A History of Cryptic Masonry in Oregon, by J. J. Spencer; History of the Illustrious Order of the High Priesthood, by A. H. Hudson; History of Sterling Chapter, No. 16, R. A. M.; by G. W. Harris; of Union Lodge, No. 43, A. F. & A. M., by A. F. Tucker; of Charity Lodge, No. 7, A. O. U. W.; of McMinnville Baptist church; of the M. E. church; of the Presbyterian church; of the I. O. O. F.; of the Catholic church; of the I. O. G. T.; of the I. O. O. F.; of the Encampment; of the Rebekah Degree; of the Grange; of the Fire Department of McMinnville; copies of the latest issues of THE OREGONIAN, Yamhill *Reporter* and *Pacific Monthly*; a U. S. half dollar contributed by J. N. Dolph, and a U. S. half dollar contributed by J. N. Dolph, and one by J. B. Congle; a confederate states $10 note and coins from Germany, France, Prussia and Bohemia, contributed by L. Baunto, builder of the temple; and business cards of prominent merchants of McMinnville.

The Portlanders present all unite in saying they had a pleasant time and were most hospitably treated by the citizens of McMinnville.

GARFIELD COUNTY NEWS.

[FROM THE OREGONIAN'S LOCAL CORRESPONDENT.]

POMEROY, W. T., Aug. 21.

The present month has been extremely hot for more than half the time. Two days the thermometer stood 150 degrees Fahrenheit in the sun, and 108 degrees in the shade. Less rain has also fallen in the last two months than in previous years at the same period.

Crops are better than the farmers looked for before the harvest began in the Snake river valley. They are lighter in this county than in Columbia. This is owing to better cultivation in the latter. One county is newer, the soil now cultivated

STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.

A Large Attendance at the Annual in Salem—Opening under the Most Favorable Auspices.

The State Teachers' Association of Or vened at the state house in Salem Mon M. Prof. Powell, superintendent of publi tion, presided.

The meeting was held in the repres hall, which was filled to overflowing.

The exercises were begun with music.

A well prepared address of welcome w by Dr. L. L. Rowland, but being called a sionally, the manuscript was placed in the his daughter, Miss Lavia, who read it effect. The address was ably responded t O. B. Lee, of Eugene City.

Bishop Hurst, of the M. E. Church, then the association. His address was schc practical; just such as will make a lastin eficial impression on all who heard it. ranks among the ablest scholars of the sa practical and zealous worker in the cause tion for the development of the best thought.

Dr. Fowler, of New York, followed h marks, in which he pressed upon the yot portance of thorough work in study and

The music was under the leadersh Stabler, and was enjoyed by all.

TUESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Supt. Powell called the meeting to or O. P. Lee, of Eugene, was chosen secreta Prof. Stabler was called for and pres piano, while the audience sang "What a have in Jesus," followed by prayer by P of Corvallis.

Taking up the programme, "Physical was presented by Prof. W. N. Ferrin, of iversity. He would teach physical geogr the common schools, if not in class roo least in occasional oral exercises. One vanced by the professor we think worth mention, and should engage the atten practical teachers: "Don't allow the c questions upon the subject; it develops the part of the pupil."

The subject of "Education and the Sta presented in a well prepared article by Roby, of Portland public schools. Es the essay would fail to do the speaker j it suffice to say it was evidently pr pare thought and care, and was well received

"Physical Geography" was called Prof. Powell, and after a few moment sion took, to some extent, the theory Many teachers participated, and a livel ensued.

At close of discussion Miss Clawson, was chosen assistant secretary.

Adjourned until 2 P. M.

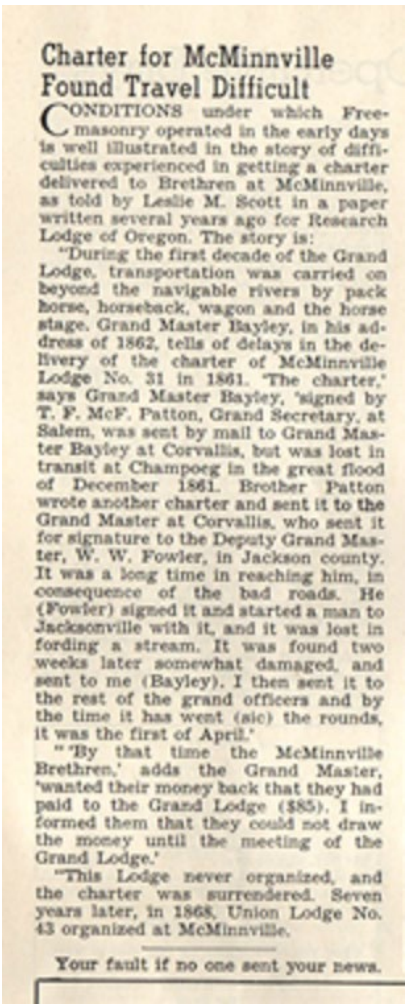
AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order by Superint Powell.

Singing by members of the institute.

Superintendent F. Rigler, of Polk presented the subject, "Necessity for creased. The speaker urged the necessit normal school, and the necessity of pay ers to secure the services of the bes profession, etc. At the close of the s ject was discussed at some length by

After a piano solo by Miss Scott, P discussed the subject of "Examinati



Charter for McMinnville Found Travel Difficult

CONDITIONS under which Freemasonry operated in the early days is well illustrated in the story of difficulties experienced in getting a charter delivered to Brethren at McMinnville, as told by Leslie M. Scott in a paper written several years ago for Research Lodge of Oregon. The story is:

"During the first decade of the Grand Lodge, transportation was carried on beyond the navigable rivers by pack horse, horseback, wagon and the horse stage. Grand Master Bayley, in his address of 1862, tells of delays in the delivery of the charter of McMinnville Lodge No. 31 in 1861. 'The charter,' says Grand Master Bayley, 'signed by T. F. McF. Patton, Grand Secretary, at Salem, was sent by mail to Grand Master Bayley at Corvallis, but was lost in transit at Champoeg in the great flood of December 1861. Brother Patton wrote another charter and sent it to the Grand Master at Corvallis, who sent it for signature to the Deputy Grand Master, W. W. Fowler, in Jackson county. It was a long time in reaching him, in consequence of the bad roads. He (Fowler) signed it and started a man to Jacksonville with it, and it was lost in fording a stream. It was found two weeks later somewhat damaged, and sent to me (Bayley). I then sent it to the rest of the grand officers and by the time it has went (sic) the rounds, it was the first of April.'

"'By that time the McMinnville Brethren,' adds the Grand Master, 'wanted their money back that they had paid to the Grand Lodge ($85). I informed them that they could not draw the money until the meeting of the Grand Lodge.'

"This Lodge never organized, and the charter was surrendered. Seven years later, in 1868, Union Lodge No. 43 organized at McMinnville.

Your fault if no one sent your news.

Oregon Mason May 1948

YAMHILL COUNTY REPORTER Nov. 16, 1876

Masonic Cemetery--The Masonic Lodge at this place, sometime since, purchased ten acres of land about two miles west of this place, and have had it laid off into lots for a cemetery, and have already begun preparations to fence and otherwise improve it. The location is a beautiful one on the high rolling ground just beyond Mr. Todd's farm, from whence the visitor has a glorious view of the broad verdant plain beneath, and of our own happy little town so serenely nestling in the ever green groves, which trace the banks of the Yamhill river. The ground is now barren of foliage, but its soil will soon respond to the touch of reverential hands, and in a few years we hope it will bloom like an Eden under the skillful culture of tender hearts, whose kindred will sleep beneath the shades of these last tributes of reverence and duty. The ground is divided up into 400 lots 16x32 feet each, leaving an area of about an acre for a "Potter's" field. The plat shows as follows: A street running east and west 30 feet wide; a street running north and south 40 feet wide; a public square 56x56 in the center, alleys 8 feet wide running north and south and alleys 6 feet wide running east and west, separating each lot from the other and allowing ample room for approach. There is also a record book kept by the Lodge in which is entered the name, date of death, nativity, age, from where removed (in case of re-internment) and number of lot in which each person is buried. This record will be an invaluable guide to the graves of departed ones, which may be sought by friends, now perahps of distant lands in after years, when all other marks may have been effaced. The plan is a noble one, and, who knows how many anxious friends will find consolation by refering to that record as the years roll by and one by one our names are added to its pages in characters that will outlast the mound of dust beneath which it is the destiny of every man to rest?

YAMHILL COUNTY REPORTER Dec. 14, 1876

NOTICE--The Masonic burying ground will be fenced next week if the weather will permit it, and those persons who have used the fence posts around graves are requested to furnish other protection until the grounds are fenced, as it will be necessary to take the posts away.

By order of the COMMITTEE

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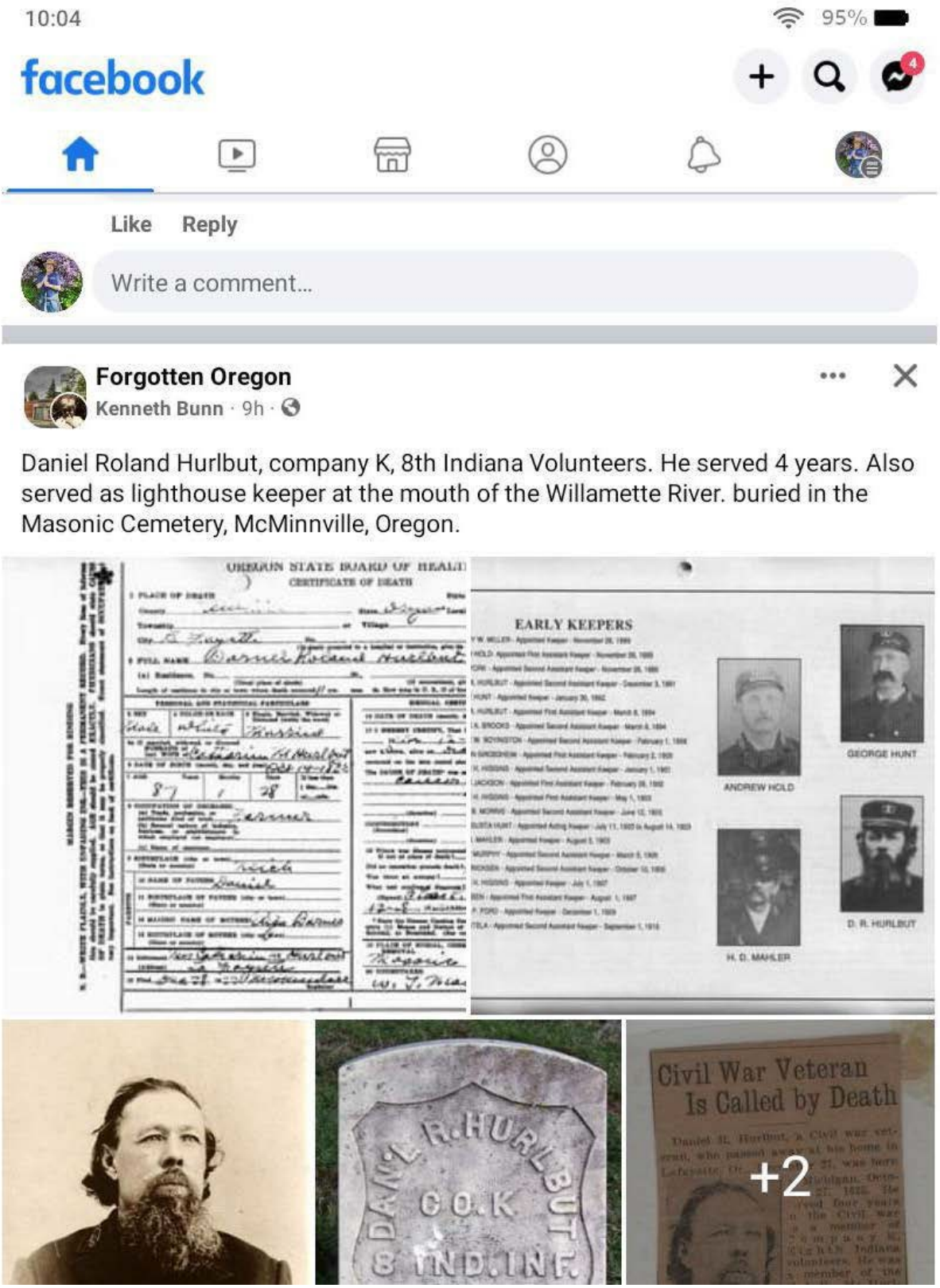
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Daniel Roland Hurlbut, company K, 8th Indiana Volunteers. He served 4 years. Also served as lighthouse keeper at the mouth of the Willamette River. buried in the Masonic Cemetery, McMinnville, Oregon.
OREGON STATE BOARD OF HEALTH
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ANDREW HOLD
GEORGE HUNT
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Civil War Veteran Is Called by Death

Daniel R. Hurlbut, a Civil war veteran, who passed away at his home in Lafayette, Or., December 27, was born

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G. A. R. Mr. Hurl-
but married Cath-
erine Miller, Au-
gust 31, 1869. Nine
children were born
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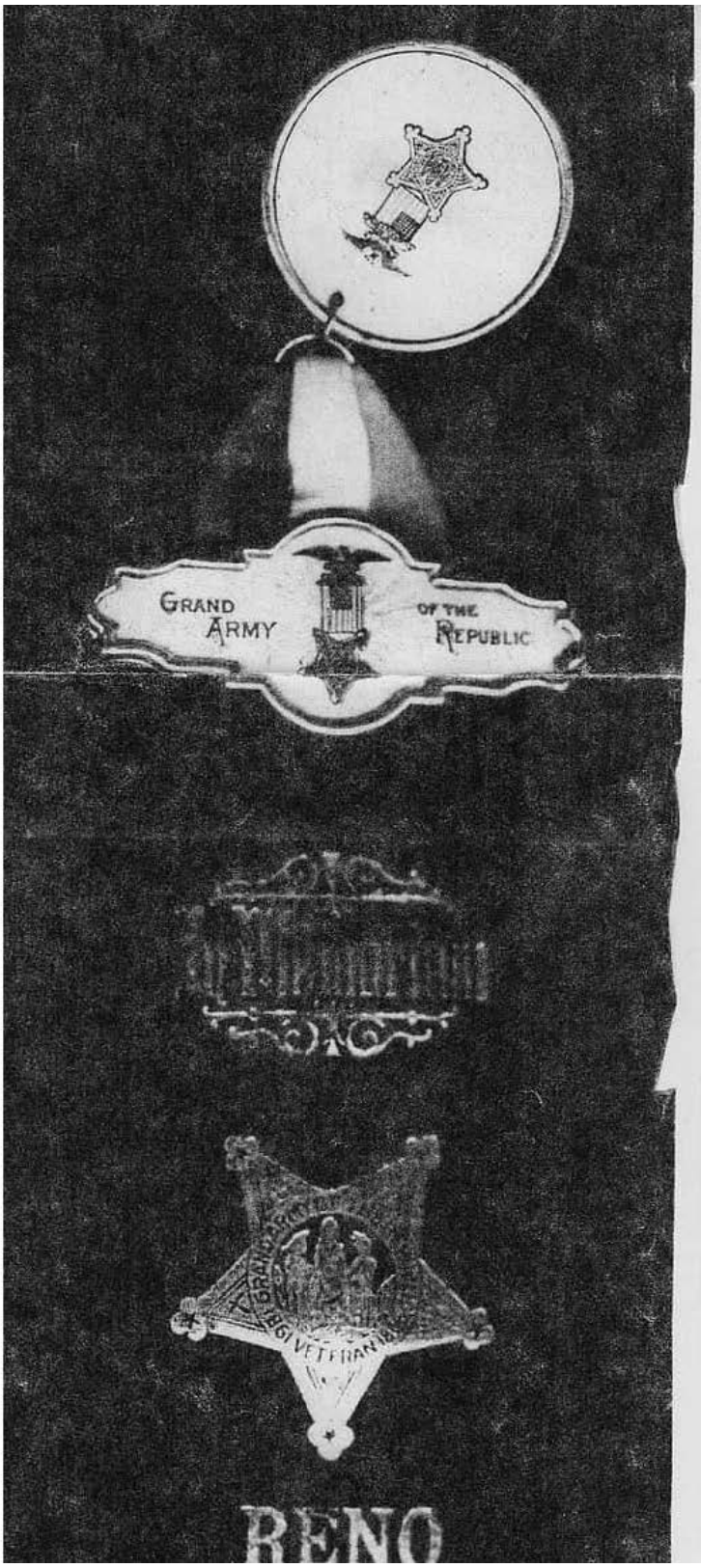
to Oregon about
38 years ago. Mr. Hurlbut was a government lighthouse keeper for about 15 years.



INDIANA G. A. R. VET DIES AT LAFAYETTE

Daniel R. Hurlbut.

LAFAYETTE, Ore., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Daniel R. Hurlbut, who died at his home here December 27, was one of the few surviving members of company K, 8th Indiana infantry, who served four years during the Civil war. The deceased veteran was born in Michigan, October 29, 1835, and at the time of his death had lived in Oregon thirty-eight years. His widow, Mrs. Catherine Miller Hurlbut and nine children survive.

Dannie Roland Hurlbut

Dannie R. Hurlbut passed away Dec. 27, 1922, at the age of 87 years, 1 month and 28 days. He was born in Michigan and had lived near Lafayette for 11 years.

The funeral services were held Friday, Dec. 29, 1922, at the Macy chapel. Rev. Cady was in charge. The interment was in the Masonic cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, four sons, Elmer and Arthur of Lafayette, Leon of Freewater, and Walter of Canada; five daughters, Mrs. Flora Crimmons of Dayton, Mrs. Ida Shaw of Carlton, Mrs. Lillian Fulton of The Dalles, Mrs. Kate Crimmons of Centralia and Mrs. Rose Crimmons of Carlton.

EARLY KEEPERS

ANTHONY W. MILLER - Appointed Keeper - November 26, 1889
ANDREW HOLD- Appointed First Assistant Keeper - November 26, 1889
HENRY YORK - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - November 26, 1889
DANIEL R. HURLBUT - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - December 3, 1891
GEORGE HUNT - Appointed Keeper - January 30, 1892
DANIEL R. HURLBUT - Appointed First Assistant Keeper - March 8, 1894
EDWARD A. BROOKS - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - March 8, 1894
GEORGE W. BOYINGTON - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - February 1, 1898
HERMANN GROSSHEIM - Appointed First Assistant Keeper - February 2, 1900
GEORGE H. HIGGINS - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - January 1, 1901
ANDREW JACKSON - Appointed First Assistant Keeper - February 26, 1902
GEORGE H. HIGGINS - Appointed First Assistant Keeper - May 1, 1903
SAMUEL B. MORRIS - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - June 12, 1903
MRS. AUGUSTA HUNT - Appointed Acting Keeper - July 11, 1903 to August 14, 1903
HARRY D. MAHLER - Appointed Keeper - August 3, 1903
PATRICK MURPHY - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - March 5, 1906
JACOB ERICKSEN - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - October 10, 1906
GEORGE H. HIGGINS - Appointed Keeper - July 1, 1907
GUS JANSEN - Appointed First Assistant Keeper - August 1, 1907
THOMAS P. FORD - Appointed Keeper - December 1, 1909
JOHN MATELA - Appointed Second Assistant Keeper - September 1, 1910

ANDREW HOLD

GEORGE HUNT

H. D. MAHLER

D. R. HURLBUT

Article printed in the Oregon Heritage Newsletter.

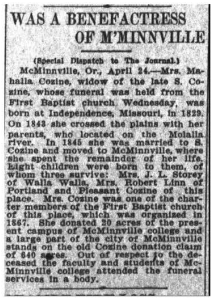
McMinnville Masonic Cemetery
Character Study – Mahala Arthur Cozine
Written by Johnny J. Edwards Sexton MMC © 2023

In honor of Women's History Month I would like to share a short character study of one lady of many who shaped the early Oregon Territory.

Mahala Arthur Cozine was born to Emeline Malone Arthur and William David Arthur on February 4, 1829, in Independence Missouri[1].

In 1843 the Arthur family along with more than 1,000 other men, women and children set out on a difficult journey to the Oregon Territory. Mahala was only 14 years old and from available records it appears she was the middle child of three siblings. With her sister Pricilla Arthur Constable traveling in the same wagon train with her newly married husband it can be assured that it was her primary responsibility to look after and assist with the care for her 12 year old brother William, wagon, and oxen.

In October 1843 the wagon train arrived at the falls of the Willamette what is now known as Oregon City. It is unsure at what point the Arthur family left the wagon train to start their new lives. It is recorded that Newby (presumably William Newby who founded McMinnville Oregon) went farther northwest and arrived at Fort Vancouver by boat which they boarded at the Willamette Falls. The Arthurs might have accompanied the Newby's.



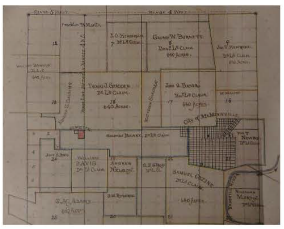
WAS A BENEFACTRESS OF M'MINNVILLE

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

McMinnville, Or., April 24.—Mrs. Mahala Cozine, widow of the late S. Cozine, whose funeral was held from the First Baptist church Wednesday, was born at Independence, Missouri, in 1829. On 1843 she crossed the plains with her parents, who located on the Molalla river. In 1845 she was married to S. Cozine and moved to McMinnville, where she spent the remainder of her life. Eight children were born to them, of whom three survive: Mrs. J. L. Storey of Walla Walla, Mrs. Robert Linn of Portland and Pleasant Cozine of this place. Mrs. Cozine was one of the charter members of the First Baptist church of this place, which was organized in 1867. She donated 20 acres of the present campus of McMinnville college and a large part of the city of McMinnville stands on the old Cozine donation claim of 640 acres. Out of respect to the deceased the faculty and students of McMinnville college attended the funeral services in a body.

In 1845 at the age of 16 years old Mahala married Samuel Marcellius Cozine whom she met on the same wagon train west two years earlier. At some point during their early years they migrated to the county of Yamhill, and it was here that they decided to purchase a donation land claim and raise their family in the 1860's.

Her importance to the growth of McMinnville Oregon and the state of Oregon can be shown by her obituary. "Was a Benefactress of McMinnville".



Without the gesture of her donation to the campus of the McMinnville College which is now known as Linfield College, McMinnville and Yamhill County would be less prosperous than it is today. Much of the land that McMinnville now occupies was originally the Cozine Donation Land Claim.

Samuel and Mahala Cozine's home still stands in downtown McMinnville and is part of the city office buildings and the creek that runs through the city of McMinnville is named Cozine Creek.

Mahala died on April 20, 1908, 65 years after she arrived in the Oregon Territory as a young girl. Samuel and Mahala are buried within the McMinnville Masonic Cemetery in McMinnville Oregon.

1 https://www.findagrave.com/memorial/123509325/mahala-cozine

GAR Cemetery Found with marker replaced.

Tim O'Neal and his wife Kathy Jo work on preparing the area for the installation of the new headstone for Civil War Veteran Isaac Cyrene Terry at the Masonic Cemetery in McMinnville.
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REFRESHING A MEMORY

New stone replaces damaged marker on Civil War grave at Masonic Cemetery

By PAUL DAQUILANTE
Of the News-Register

Don Benson has made it his mission to walk every Yamhill County cemetery, searching for headstones of Civil War veterans.

Last year in McMinnville, Benson sought to honor the memory of Pvt. Isaac Cyrene Terry, born in Iowa in 1842, and died in Oregon in 1892.

Benson, of Willamina, is graves' registration officer for Col. Edward D. Baker Camp No. 6, the local chapter of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The organization includes residents of Yamhill, Polk, and Washington counties, as well as southwest Washington. Benson and others hold re-enactments and ceremonies to preserve the history of the Civil War, in particular the memories of its veterans.

At each cemetery stop, Benson records the name of the vet, the service unit and date of birth and death.

The McMinnville Masonic Cemetery, located off Northwest Hill Road, was the last one he set out across. It was a three-day project last year, recalled Benson, a 28-year veteran of the Army and Navy.

"I only missed one, on Gopher Valley Road (off Highway 18, east of Sheridan), and I think it was a private family cemetery," Benson said. "It was all overgrown."

Benson said he left without researching what it had to offer.

While on foot at the Masonic Cemetery, Benson came across what is known as the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) section,

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resting place reserved for veterans who fought in the Civil War between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865. There are fewer than a dozen graves on the site, located next to a maintenance shed just off the gravel road that encircles the cemetery.

Benson said he could not read the inscription on one particular headstone, that of Isaac Terry, a member of Company D7, Illinois Cavalry. It was weather-worn and covered with what he characterized as grunge. Whenever he came across one in similar condition in any cemetery he visited, Benson could use the palm of his hand to rub the area where the pertinent information was inscribed.

When he attempted to clean off Terry's marker, it fell to the ground,

"I just touched it," Benson said. "It started leaning back and then — plunk." Benson realized the marker had previously broken off and been precariously set back in place

The 150-pound piece of concrete was on the ground. There was a penny on top of the headstone when Benson came upon it, left by someone to show respect for Isaac Terry.

Rusty Rae/News-Register

Isaac Terry's new headstone stands with others in the Civil War section of McMinnville Masonic Cemetery, after Wednesday's installation.

"Sometime after the war he made it out to Oregon," said Randy Fletcher, Camp No. 6 Commander, and editor of the camp newsletter, "The Union Volunteer."

The day that Benson discovered the headstone, he was greeted by cemetery sexton Johnny Edwards.

"One thing the local chapter (Camp No. 6) does is replace at no cost a GAR or military headstone," Edwards said. "They saw we had a broken headstone and approached me. I had known about this (the replacement process), signed the paperwork, got one made through the government at no cost and it was delivered."

Inclement weather prevented the new headstone from being set in place until it was decided Wednesday morning, March 29, would be the day the gravesite was prepared and the stone set in place.

Largely responsible for getting the gravesite ready for placement of the headstone were Tim O'Neal, past Camp No. 6 Commander and current secretary/treasurer, and his wife, Kathy Jo, a member of Auxiliary No. 6, were. Tim O'Neal also serves in the Sons of Veterans Reserve, a component of the Baker Camp.

The O'Neals dug out a square area where the headstone would be set upright in place. It was positioned in the same way all the other headstones in the GAR section were set down.

Dirt and cement were used to fill in the opening and complete the job.

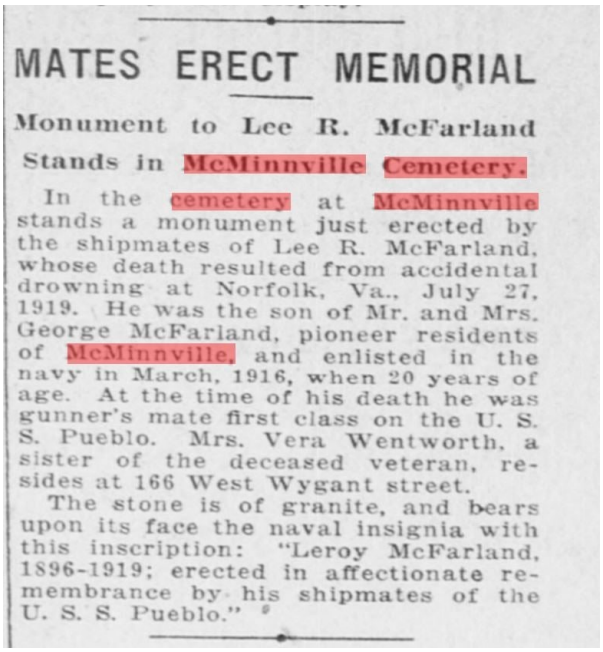
In addition to Benson, Edwards, Fletcher and the O'Neals, Auxiliary No. 6 member Mary Ann Lee Baker, Camp No. 6 Junior Vice Commander Bill Coleman and Chaplain Tony Pasillas were part of the headstone work party.

Benson said he utilizes the Find A Grave website to help him research vets, and he has already posted a new photo of the Terry headstone to the site. It can be found at findagrave.com/memorial

Camp No. 6 was formed in 2004 and is one of the founding camps of the Department of the Columbia (formed in 2015).

The camp is named in honor of Edward Dickinson Baker, an Oregon Senator, and the first colonel of the Seventy-first Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, who died leading that regiment at the Battle of Ball's Bluff, Virginia, Oct. 21, 1861.

The McMinnville Fence works has the reputation of having enclosed more land than the state of Oregon contains, and judging from the energy of Mr. Reed, the manager, he will not show signs of weakness in the fencing proposition until he has stretched a network of wires around the earth. His latest enterprise in the matter of ornamental fencing is in evidence around the newly-platted addition to the Masonic cemetery west of McMinnville.—Reporter.



MATES ERECT MEMORIAL

Monument to Lee R. McFarland Stands in McMinnville Cemetery.

In the cemetery at McMinnville stands a monument just erected by the shipmates of Lee R. McFarland, whose death resulted from accidental drowning at Norfolk, Va., July 27, 1919. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George McFarland, pioneer residents of McMinnville, and enlisted in the navy in March, 1916, when 20 years of age. At the time of his death he was gunner's mate first class on the U. S. S. Pueblo. Mrs. Vera Wentworth, a sister of the deceased veteran, resides at 166 West Wygant street.

The stone is of granite, and bears upon its face the naval insignia with this inscription: "Leroy McFarland, 1896-1919; erected in affectionate remembrance by his shipmates of the U. S. S. Pueblo."

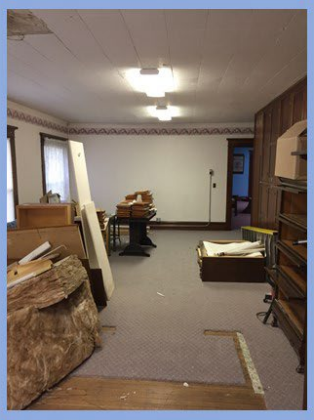
[USS Colorado (ACR-7) - Wikipedia]

Lounge Renovations

Union No. 3 A. F. & A. M.

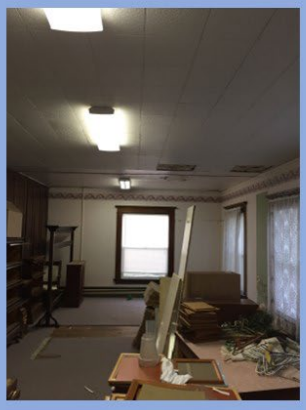
The Master Mason's Lounge

From the Beginning
To
Completion
2012 - 2023



This journey began in 2012 with two Brothers having a vision.

WB Frank Blair and WB Johnny J. Edwards as Trustees stood in the newly vacated Eastern Star Room and saw potential. It was a mess but we could see the possibility for a place for Brothers to meet on the level outside of the lodge room.



It isn't clear who had the idea first, but it is preferred to believe that we both had a light bulb go off at the same time.

Let's make this into a **Master Mason's Lounge**

There was so much to do to even begin to even have a plan.

This room had ceiling damage from a roof leak from years earlier.

The carpet was glued to the wood floor.

Windows were leaking and in poor condition.

On and On…

The first project was to filter out the junk from the history.

This happened over a few years.

Each year the pile got smaller and a plan started to surface eventually.

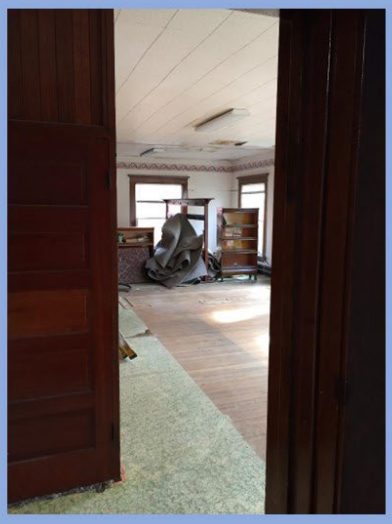
After hiring day labor to remove all of the large pieces of old wood and broken furniture there was an empty room.

This was around 2019.

In January 2022 then Worshipful Master Johnny J. Edwards asked WB J.P. Porter a Trustee of the lodge if the Trustee's would be willing to finish the job that was envisioned back in 2012.

The Trustees said, Yes.

WB JP Porter and his friend Steven O'Brady were hired by the Trustees and the results are a work of art.



The brick work and window repairs were challenging.

The Brothers of Union No. 3 A. F. and A. M. are very excited and proud to introduce you to the Master Mason's Lounge

Johnny B. Edwards after helping bring our huge lounge couch upstairs.

Brothers Johnny B. Edwards and Nick Godfrey on right with two helpers after bringing this very heavy bar up three flights of stairs

Union # 3
Ancient Free & Accepted Masons

INSTITUTED 1867

A Stated Communication of Union Lodge No. # 3 A. F. and A. M. was held in their Lodge Room in McMinnville, Oregon on Tuesday evening November 7, 2023 AD 2023, AL 6023.

WM	JARED FLANDE	Jr. D	NICK GODFREY
SW	WILLIAM PAINTER	Sr. S	
JW	VINCENT GROVE	Jr. S	
Treas	MATT COADY	Mar	MWB HUNT M. COMPTON
Sec'y	JOHNNY J. EDWARDS	Chap	RICK FIELDHOUSE
Sr. D	--	Tyler	LARRY LUNGER

BROTHERS PRESENT: Ian Jones, Michael Lathrop, David Pfendler and Alex Victor.

During the opening ceremonies the Senior Warden William was not satisfied when the Worshipful Master asked him if all present were Master Masons. The Worshipful Master ordered the JD and SD to attend the west to ascertain whether all Brothers present in the North and South were Master Masons. After performing this order the JD and SD reported to the Senior Warden that all were Master Masons in the North and South..

The Lodge was opened in Due and Ancient form on the Master Mason Degree.

The District Deputy RWB Shaun Weaver excused himself from lodge to be received on his Official Visit to Union No. 3.

The Worshipful Master ordered Brothers of the Lodge to form two parallel lines at the Tylers Door for the purpose of receiving our District Deputy.

RWB Shaun Weaver was received with all right and privileges as our District Deputy. RWB Weaver introduced his escort to the lodge and seated the lodge and handed over the gavel to our Worshipful Master.

Lodge was called from Labor to Refreshment.

Lodge was opened on the Fellow Craft Degree in Due Form.

SICKNESS AND DISTRESS: The altar was draped with the lodges Black Cloth and it was reported that Austin Warner had passed away. His Masonic Record was read and the Worshipful Master called the lodge up for a moment of silence.

It was reported by Johnny J. Edwards that Brother John Compton had his appendix removed. He is healing comfortably at home.

Brother Nick Godfrey shared that Brother Chrisman's death was 119 years ago this year. While doing research for the Trustees Brother Godfrey found the entry placed in the Lodge Minutes of the lodges memoriam for Brother Chrisman. Brother Godfrey read this beautiful memoriam to the lodge.

VISITORS: NONE

MINUTES: Minutes were posted via email with corrections made. Nick Godfrey made a motion to accept the minutes as posted and corrected. Brother Will Painter 2nd the motion. The Worshipful Master called for a vote. Motion Passed.

PETITIONS: The secretary read the petition for the Degrees of Freemasonry for Brandon James Ullom. MWB Hunt M. Compton made a motion to accept the petition. The Worshipful Master assigned the investigation committee as follows: Nick Godfrey, Ian Jones and William Painter.

REPORTS OF INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES: NONE

BALLOTING ON PETITIONS: NONE

RECEIVING AND CONSIDERING:

COMMUNICATIONS: Communications were read.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Secretary Financial Report and Trustee Report was given.

BILLS: A bill was presented to the lodge for new name tags for the amount of $89.65. WB Johnny J. Edwards made a motion to pay the bill. William Painter 2nd the motion. The Worshipful Master called for a vote. Motion Passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Brother SW William Painter reported to the lodge that the expelled picture frames will be ready to be added to the Past Master wall next month.

NEW BUSINESS:
-Brother Johnny J. Edwards shared that the pomegranates from the lodge pillars that were missing were carved by WB Larry Lunger and Nick Godfrey and painted by Rachel Godfrey. The lodge was very pleased about this.

ELECTIONS: The Worshipful Master announced that elections will be held. Ballots were spread throughout the lodge to all Members of Union No. 3. The election results were as follows:

WM	William Painter
SW	Vincent Grove
JW	--
Sec.	Johnny J. Edwards
Treas	Rick Fieldhouse
Trustee	--

The Worshipful Master Elect and his newly elected officers for 2024 were all given a round of applause by the Brothers of Union No. 3.

CODE Reading SECTION 209 Paragraph 9. WB Johnny J. Edwards informed the Lodge via CODE Reading SECTION 209 Paragraph 9 that the lodge is required to vote as to if the installation will be open or closed.. Johnny J. Edwards made a motion to have an open installation. This was 2nd by Nick Godfrey. The Worshipful Master called for a vote. Motion Passed.

The Worshipful Master asked Worshipful Master Elect William Painter had anything he would like to share about his appointed officers and his installation.

His appointed officers will be as follows:

Chaplain	Larry Lunger
Tyler	Johnny B. Edwards
Marshall	MWB Hunt M. Compton
SD	Nick Godfrey
JD	Michael Lathrop

Installation of officers will be on December 15, 2023. Dinner will begin at 630pm with the installation directly following the completion of dinner.

The installing officer will be RWB Shaun Weaver.

CONFERRING DEGREES: NONE

Brother Nick Godfrey made a motion to have a $600.00 budget for the Worshipful Master Elects dinner. This was 2nd by Johnny J. Edwards. A discussion was called. WB Johnny J. Edwards suggested that the motion be removed because the lodge could not afford this expenditure which was outside of the approved budget. Johnny J. Edwards suggested that the Trustees were better suited to financially handle this expenditure. Brother Nick removed his motion in leu of the Trustees future Special Meeting on this issue.

GOOD OF THE ORDER / ANNOUNCEMENTS:
-Brother SW William Painter announced that December Stated Meeting Dinner will be Italian Fare / Mexican Food.
-Worshipful Master announced that his new Documentary “Golden Cornucopia” will hopefully be ready to be seen in December.
-Johnny J. Edwards announced that November 11, 2023 is a Brothers night in the lounge. There will be a movie shown and fellowship by all.

DISTRICT DEPUTY MESSAGE: RWB Shaun Weaver shared the Grand Masters message and talked about the Grand Masters Pin.

RWB Shaul Weaver closed the lodge on the Fellow Craft Degree in Due Form.

RWB Shaun Weaver called the lodge from Refreshment to the Master Mason Degree in Due and Ancient Form.

RWB Shaun Weaver closed the lodge on the Master Mason Degree in Due and Ancient Form.

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Secretary
(Johnny J. Edwards)

Worshipful Master
(Jared Mark Brandon-Flande)

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